

BRITISH SHIPS SUNK BY TORPS OF GERMAN SUBS

HUGE SEA BATTLES, LOADED
WITH FIGHTING MEN,
SENT TO BOTTOM

VENICE IS AGAIN
VISITED BY AIR RAIDERS

FIERCE FIGHTING IN ALSACE
WHERE FOES RESORT TO
HAND GRENADES

BULLETIN.

Naples, Nov. 19.—A British warship, thought to be the *Acanda*, 14,000 tons, was torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine in the Mediterranean. The crew and all on board lost.

German Subs Are Busy.
Berlin, Nov. 19.—Two British gunboats have been sunk in the Mediterranean off the Egyptian coast by a German submarine. It was officially announced today. An armed British merchant steamer was disabled. The announcement adds that a German submarine on November 5th, on the North African coast sank the British auxiliary cruiser, *Para*.

Venice Again Bombarded.
Vienna, Nov. 19.—Venice has again been bombarded by Austrian aeroplanes. It has been officially announced.

Fierce Fighting in Alsace.
Paris, Nov. 19.—Spirited fighting in Alsace, accompanied by the throwing of hand grenades, is officially announced.

Eight German aviators, flying over Lunenburg were pursued by French airmen, this morning, five were driven away but the others succeeded in throwing several bombs. Three persons were wounded.

Kitchener in Balkans.
Saloniki, Nov. 19.—Earl Kitchener conferred with General Sarrail, commander-in-chief of the French army of the Orient, and left immediately without debarking.

Fired on Ancona Without Warning.
Naples, Nov. 19.—The official report of the investigation on the sinking of the *Ancona*, it was announced, was sent to American Ambassador Page today. The investigators reached the conclusion that the submarine fired a shell against the wireless apparatus of the *Ancona*, without warning.

Allies After China.
Washington, D. C., Nov. 19.—Great Britain, France and Russia have united in an effort to add China to the entente alliance, to prevent possible friction in future between Japan and China, and to preserve the peace of the Far East. If China agrees to the plan, military participation in the present war is not expected.

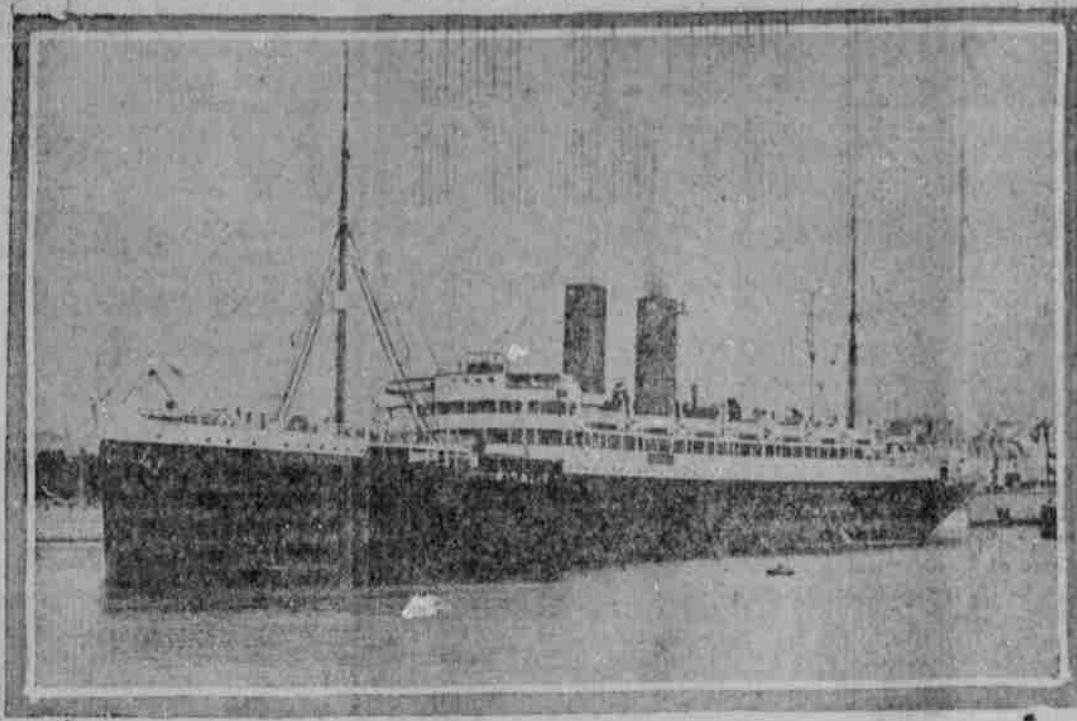
RECEIVING ADVICES ON SPECIAL SESSION

Oklahoma City, Okla., Nov. 19.—Telegrams and letters continue to pour in on Governor Williams relative to a special session. The governor said today that in the event of an extra, call date would be between Dec. 8 and Jan. 8.

THE WAR A YEAR AGO TODAY

Nov. 19, 1914.
French retook Tracy-le-Val but were repulsed in the Argonne. British bombarded Dixmude. Russians were driven back behind the Bzura river, but advanced in East Prussia and Galicia. Russians defeated Kurds in Persian Armenia. French cruiser *Waldeck-Rousseau* sank Austrian submarine. Names of Germans struck from rolls of Legion of Honor.

French Liner Afire From Bomb in Hold



The Rochambeau.

The great French liner Rochambeau, which left New York Saturday, Nov. 6, with a large quantity of munitions of war, put into Halifax after an announcement by wireless from

Captain Julian that fire had been discovered in her hold. The flames came from the reserve coal bunkers. While denials were made that the fire was the work of German spies in

New York. It was the general suspicion when the wireless was received that they had placed a bomb in the bunkers as they have done on many other ships leaving American ports with munitions.

BANKERS BACK OF MOVE AGAINST COMPTROLLER

OWEN AND OTHER LEADERS
IN CONGRESS WILL OP-
POSE ABOLISHMENT

Washington, D. C., Nov. 19.—Members of congress interviewed today were generally opposed to the plan recommended to the federal reserve board last night by its advisory council for abolition of the office of comptroller of the currency. A number of those interviewed were members of the banking and currency committee of both house and senate. Senator Robert L. Owen of Oklahoma, chairman of the senate's committee, some time ago when the movement became known registered himself against the idea.

Action of the advisory council of the federal reserve board in no way binds the board. It was recently asked by the board to suggest ideas for legislation, and among those adopted by the council was that the board take over the comptroller's duties and that the principal function of the office, that of examining banks, be made by agents of the reserve board at the request of a reserve bank. It is not believed that the board will adopt this suggestion; however, some of the members are reported to favor it.

Inspired by Leading Banks.
It was stated by a high governmental official today that the movement to abolish the comptroller's office was inspired by leading banking interests which have felt the sting of the comptroller's exactions in requiring reports. Resentment over the new policy is said not to be confined to

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R. N. A. MEET AT ODD FELLOWS HALL

LOGAN COUNTY CONVENTION OF
ROYAL NEIGHBORS HOLD
ROUSING MEETING

The Logan County Convention of Royal Neighbors met yesterday with the Rose Camp No. 4113 in the third annual meeting with several members of Rose Camp, visitors from Marshall, Crescent and Hercules camps of Guthrie, also Neighbor Foster of Chandler, Neighbor Harris of Muskogee, Neighbors Estes and Popen of Bartlesville present. A very instructive and pleasant session was held. Discussions for the betterment of the work in the camp and county were given, and also a school of instruction in the secret work was given by Neighbor Harris. The officers for the coming year were elected.

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GOES OUT OF STATE FOR EXPERT

GOVERNOR WILLIAMS HAS \$12,000
TO SPEND AND ARRANGES
TO DO IT.

Governor Williams has employed W. Widdup of Chicago, an expert accountant, and Colin Valentine, Carl Rice, Charles Alexander and G. P. Balfour, of the state examiner and inspector's office, as a force to plan and supply an entire system of accounting between all state departments and institutions. This party commenced

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FIRING SQUAD ENDS LIFE OF UTAH MURDERER

HILLSTROM, I. W. W. LEAD-
ER, IS CHEERFUL AND DIES
DECLARING INNOCENCE

(By Associated Press.)

Salt Lake, Nov. 19.—Joe Hillstrom, I. W. W. leader, was put to death by a firing squad at the state prison at 7:42 o'clock this morning.

Death was instantaneous. A message from Seattle reached Govey Spry just before the execution saying that William Busky of that city had sworn to affidavits that he was with Hillstrom on the night on which grocer Morrison and his son

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THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION.

The year now drawing to a close has been reasonably favorable to our city. We have had no dire calamities, disease and pestilence have had no perceptible claim upon our people; we have notably been at peace with one another; we have been blessed extraordinarily with crops and fruits in all this region round about, so that we are indeed in the midst of a land of plenty; a community at peace, and a people engaged in the legitimate pursuits vouchsafed to all those thus favorably situated.

It is customary at this season, each year for the Chief Executive of our Nation, the Governors of our several States and the Mayors of the large sisterhood of cities throughout all the land to call upon their people to offer praise and thanks to Almighty God for the many blessings bestowed upon them during the year, and to unite in invoking His continued help and benedictions in the days to come.

Wherefore, I, J. E. Nissley, Mayor of the City of Guthrie, Oklahoma, in response to a long established custom, and in pursuance of the authority of the law in me vested, do set apart as a Day for general Thanksgiving, Thursday, November Twenty-fifth, Nineteen Hundred and Fifteen, and recommend and urge my fellow-citizens to rest from their labors; and in their homes, their churches and in such other places as they may congregate to join in worship, praise and thanks to God for the gifts and blessings that have been ours for all this year.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the city to be affixed this Eighteenth day of November, 1915.

J. E. NISSELEY.

Mayor of the City of Guthrie.

(SEAL)
Attest: R. N. DUNHAM,
City Clerk.

FIREBUGS BUSY IN NEW YORK TO THWART ALLIES

TWO ATTEMPTS IN 48
HOURS TO STAMPEDE 800
"WAR HORSES"

TWO WERE SEEN
KINDLING THE FIRES

AGENTS OF GERMAN POW-
ERS TAKE DESPERATE
CHANCES

New York, Nov. 19.—Incendiarists started two fires within half an hour last night in the yards of the West Shore railroad, near the foot of Baldwin avenue, Weehawken, N. J. The yards are filled with freight cars loaded with supplies and munitions awaiting shipment to the allies. In the yards also are from 700 to 800 horses to be shipped to the French government.

After the fires, officials at the yard said the incendiaries undoubtedly had two objects; one, the destruction of the munitions, and the other to stampede the horses. They pointed out that similar attempts at stampede had been successful with consignments destined for Great Britain and France.

Attempt Was Daring.
In view of the discovery of the first fire, and the special guard of watchmen (their number has been steadily increased within a few weeks because of other suspicious fires and explosions and warnings from the govern-

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FAMILIES OF R. R. EMPLOYEES TO REMAIN HERE

NEW SCHEDULE OF FT.
SMITH & WESTERN WILL
NOT AFFECT GUTHRIE

General Manager Mills, of the Fort Smith & Western, came in from El Reno in his special car last evening and remained in the city over night leaving for Fort Smith this morning.

At 5 o'clock a delegation of Guthrie business men and shippers headed by President Coughlan, of the Chamber of Commerce, and accompanied by Judge Bierer, local attorney of the road and Chief Clerk Sam Lyons, of the Fort Smith & Western, called upon Mr. Mills for a conference relative to the new train service to go into effect Dec. 6 when the company begins to oper-

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BAD FIRE AVERTED BY PROMPT ACTION

SANTA FE FREIGHT DEPOT SUS-
TAINS \$1,000 LOSS FROM GAS
EXPLOSION

Quick action on the part of Santa Fe freight yard employees and prompt response on the part of the fire department, probably averted a repetition of the Ardmore disaster last night.

Two minutes after a yard employee had placed his lighted lantern on the platform of the Santa Fe freight depot last night shortly after 8 o'clock, an explosion took place. The owner of the lantern had stepped into the freight depot on an errand. He took in the situation at a glance and a fire alarm was turned in. A car, on the siding next to the south end of the freight depot, loaded with barrels filled with high test gasoline were in danger of

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TESTIMONY SALACIOUS IN JOHNSON TRIAL

WITNESS SAID
HER SH...

The Rebecca Johnson is bringing out some salacious testimony. One witness testified that Johnson girl told her she killed her babe by throwing it on the floor and then striking it on the head with her fist.

The Johnson girl gave birth to the child while attending school at Langston. She came to the Langston school from Texas and states that the father of the child lived there, but has since died. It was several days before the matter of the birth and death of the infant was given to the authorities. A sensation was made out of it grow the charges filed against former President I. E. Page of the college.

Emmett Stewart, former Guthrie attorney is assisting Attorney W. T. Warren in the defense, while County Attorney Arthur Swank and Assistant W. B. Herod are prosecuting.

This is the only murder case on the docket for this term. A number of criminal cases are yet to come, but Judge Huston is confident he can clear the docket by December 1st, at which time the Payne county term of court will open.

AERO SQUADRON START ON JOURNEY

(By Associated Press.)

Fort Sill, Nov. 19.—The first aero squadron, U. S. A., composed of six aeroplanes, sailed from the aviation field at 8:30 this morning on a flight to the new headquarters of the organization, Ft. Sam Houston, Tex.

This is the first flight of the kind ever attempted by army flyers in this country.

REACH FIRST STOP.

Wichita Falls, Nov. 19.—The six army aeroplanes reached here on first journey, one hour after the start at Fort Sill. No mishaps reported.

GRADING HIGHWAY PAPERS

Final grading of the papers of the applicants who took the examination several days ago for certificates of competency to act as county highway engineers was begun by the state highway department Thursday. The names of successful applicants will be announced the first of next week.

REQUISITION FOR COLLINS

Gov. R. L. Williams Thursday honored a requisition from the governor of Texas of the extradition of Charlie Collins, alias Charlie Young, who is wanted in Dallas on a charge of robbery.

MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL

Motion for a new trial in the sheriff's contest case recently decided by a jury in district court, has been filed by C. G. Horner, attorney for Claude Mize. It is the understanding that this move is for the purpose of perfecting an appeal to the supreme court.

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Bugs and Knocking

The physicians at the Norman Sanatorium declare that the charges tarium declare that the charges made by Miss Viola Palmer against the sanitarium are untrue. They declare the asylum beds are clean, that there are no bugs, that the inmates are tenderly cared for and that the story of Earl Palmer's condition is false. The press agent for the state health department in a communication signed, "By One Who Could Not Get Away," says the story was published by The Leader "because it had some political difference as with Dr. Duke and don't like it," and implies that while The Leader is carrying on a campaign against knocking it is doing a little knocking itself by printing the Palmer story because it is a knock against the health department. This is surprising both as to information and logic. The Leader trusts and hopes Dr. Duke did not inspire the communication in question, which is too puerile to merit a moment's consideration. Dr. Duke is too broadminded to en-

INHERITANCE TAX AN ISSUE IN NEXT CONGRESS

HIGHER FEDERAL LEVY ON
INCOMES ALSO MAY BE
PROPOSED

SURTAX TO RANGE
FROM 1 TO 9 PER CENT

IT IS ALSO PROPOSED BY
CONGRESSMAN GARDNER
TO CUT EXEMPTION

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, Nov. 19.—While the administration practically has decided to increase the yield of the tax on incomes, it is certain that the enactment of a heavily graded inheritance tax will be urged upon congress by leaders of the majority as well as the minority parties.

If President Wilson decide to include the proposal in his revenue legislation, the tax probably will command Democratic support, in that of the Republican addition gives, to assure its approval and passage. If the president veto the inheritance tax there will be serious difficulty in rounding up enough Democratic votes to give the bill a majority.

Gardner Will Offer Measure.

That the inheritance tax movement is gaining ground in the Democratic party is evident. Representative John Gardner of Texas, member of the house committee on ways and means, intends to introduce an inheritance tax measure. Mr. Gardner believes in the adoption of an inheritance tax not only to yield revenue but to force the redistribution of swollen fortunes. His bill, however, will provide no higher tax than 20 per cent on the largest inheritances.

Two Income Tax Proposals.

A final decision as to just what changes in the revenue laws shall be supported by the administration will be reached within the next ten days. Administration officials have two proposals under consideration as regards the income tax. One is that the normal rate of 1 per cent shall be increased to 1½ per cent, the surtax increased, and the present exemption of \$4,000 for married and \$3,000 for single persons be continued. The alternative is that the present rate shall be maintained and the exceptions reduced to \$3,000 and \$2,000 respectively.

The administration has been urged by leaders in the house to adopt features of both proposals. This has been put in concrete form by a house leader, who suggests that the exemption for married men be fixed at \$3,000; the exemption for single men at \$2,000, that the normal rate be fixed

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THE WEATHER

(By Associated Press.)
New Orleans, La., Nov. 19.—Tonight and Saturday fair.